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SUBJECT: POLONIA EVENT

- 1. A RECEPTION WAS HELD ON JULY 23 AT THE BELVEDERE PALACE IN WARSAW TO HONOR MEMBERS OF VARIOUS POLONIA ORGANIZATIONS NOW VISITING POLAND, INCLUDING THE ONLY NON-AMERICAN WHO COMMANDED A US NAVEL VESSEL IN WORLD WAR II.
- 2. HENRYK JABLONSKI, CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE, IN REMARKS TO THE INVITED GUESTS, CITED POLONIA AS A CONCEPT ENCOMPASSING CITIZENS OF MAY NATIONS WHO MAINTAIN TIES WITH THEIR POLISH HERITAGE. CHAIRMAN JABLONSKI ALSO SPOKE OF THE APOLLO-SOYUZ MISSION AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE NUMEROUS AND GROWING EXAMPLES OF COOPERATION BETWEEN EAST AND WEST. HE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT SUCH EFFORTS WOULD CONTINUE IN THE FUTURE.
- 3. THE POLISH LEADER GAVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO POLISH HEROES OF WORLD WAR II. ESPECIALLY SINGLED OUT FOR PRAISE WAS CAPTAIN STEFAN WESOLOWSKI, THE ONLY NON-AMERICAN CITIZEN TO COMMAND AN AMERICAN NAVAL VESSEL IN WORLD WAR II. CAPTAIN WESOLOWSKI PRTICIPATED IN ENGLISH CHANNEL OPERATIONS WHICH LED TO THE LIBERATION OF EUROPE IN 1944. HE IS NOW AN AMERICAN CITIZEN AND A RETIRED MERCHANT MAUNCLASSIFIED

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RINE OFFICER. ON JULY 24, CAPTAIN WESOLOWSKI, ATTIRED IN

HIS WORLD WAR II AMERICAN UNIFORM, LED MEMBERS OF INTER-
NATIONAL POLONIA ORGANIZATIONS IN PLANCING A WREATH AT
THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER IN WARSAW.
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